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House Resolution 590

By: Representative Lunsford of the 110th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the life of Reverend Clinton L. Melson for 40 years of outstanding service to
- 2 the ministry since 1967; and for other purposes
- 3 WHEREAS, Reverend Clinton L. Melson was born in Heard County on October 17, 1926,
- 4 to the late Ashberry and Louella Warren Melson as the fifth of eleven children; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he finished the fifth grade at Dent Chapel Church School in Coweta County;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was united in holy matrimony with Sarah Louise Geter in January, 1945, and
- 8 from that union eleven children were born; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he began employment at a very young age, pulping wood and farming, and he
- 10 has spent most of his life doing automotive repair, working as a bus mechanic for Coweta
- 11 County Schools beginning in 1967 and retiring in 1999; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Reverend Melson began his ministry in 1967 and conducted his first revival
- under the supervision of Reverend J.W. Russell, Sr., in Bowden, Georgia, where 26 people
- 14 came forward to give their life to Christ; and
- WHEREAS, in 1968 he became the pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church where he continues to
- serve to this day, and over the years he has ordained 17 preachers, recognized 50 new
- deacons, baptized hundreds of believers, and performed countless ceremonies for weddings
- 18 and funerals; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Reverend Melson's many achievements will stand as symbols of dignity, pride,
- and honor for his congregation and the citizens of this state for generations to come.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 2 the members of this body join to honor the life of this dedicated spiritual leader, Reverend
- 3 Clinton L. Melson, and extend to him their sincerest best wishes for his continued health and
- 4 happiness.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Clinton L.
- 7 Melson.